

# Some Foolish Claims of Some Foolish Clothiers

## How They Reduce(?) The Cost of Living

Even before the discovery was made how to run an automobile with water at one cent a gallon, the startling discovery was made right here in Bridgeport by certain clothiers how to sell \$25 Suits for \$15, \$20 Suits for \$10, etc., and still remain in business.

Isn't it absurd that they should be so foolish as to imagine that the public is dull enough to believe their stories.

Let me tell you this friends, and I can prove what I say—Any clothier who is burdened with tremendous rents—big losses on charge accounts and does not buy his goods for cash, never did, never can and never will sell you \$25 Suits for \$15, etc.

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## GETTING DRUNK ON CACTUS

The Religious Ceremony Which the Indians Have Made of Taking Peyote

(Exclusive Service The Survey Press Bureau)

At the call of the American Society of Indians, May 13, has been set aside officially as Indian Day throughout the United States. Special importance is given to such a day this year in the light of two bills on the calendar of Congress both of which are directed at "peyote," a curious cactus yielding a potent drug to which Indians have in the past few years become to an appalling degree addicted. Peyote is an inconspicuous little cactus growing throughout northern Mexico and in the Rio Grande valley. It is the root called "peyote," by the early Spanish padres "raiz diabólica" or the devil's root and in commerce, mesquite buttons. In Mexico this root has been used medicinally and ceremonially for centuries.

### A Religious Ceremony

Within the past decade it has become an article of some commercial importance and its use has spread among practically all the tribes between the Rio Grande and the Pacific and from Mexico to Wisconsin. Because of the curious mental exhilaration which it produces there has developed about the peyote a religious worship. Soon after it is taken the worshipper experiences a strange exaltation. He has visions of exquisite beauty, colors and shapes mingling in almost indescribable forms. The Indians say it gives them "a wonderful feeling," but naturally they are somewhat inarticulate as to the detail. The most brilliant account of the effects of this drug is perhaps that by Havelock Ellis, the psychologist. He says that after taking it: "I felt faint and unsteady, and my pulse was low. The visions came, at first slowly, then rapidly. There was a vast field of golden jewels studded with red and green stones—a wonderful perfume—a dull rich glow and brilliant points—rare flowers and iridescent fibrous wings as of butterflies. Then I became a low revolving vessel, lined with marvelous mother-of-pearl—a profusion and variety of images—living I had but little control over my mind when I tried to individualize them. I saw them best in a dark room where was the play of fire-light. I turned on the gas—it became a brilliant waves of light—green and violet. The next day I found my eyes sensitive to light and to blue and violet colors."

It is not difficult to understand how seriously the Indian with his profoundly religious and poetic nature would be influenced by such an experience. Unfortunately, peyote has marked secondary effects. There follow in almost every case profound weariness and lassitude and the practical meaning of that in the case of the Indian is an economic backsliding. If in the course of the week he travels for one day to attend a feast, eats peyote all night, recuperates the second day and makes a return journey on the third day, obviously his home and stock and farm will experience neglect.

The answer to the bureau's problem whether this thing is a religion or a habit-forming drug, is over-whelmingly in favor of the latter. It is a habit-forming drug. Says Dr. Ales Hrdlicka, curator of the Anthropological Department of the National Museum of History: "I beg to state that such effects while not as violent or quite as harmful as those of alcohol, are nevertheless deleterious, and the use of the cactus should be discouraged or, if possible, prohibited."

How long did the siege of Petersburg, Va., last during the civil war? Did it end with the celebrated explosion? The siege began about the 20th of June, 1864, and the mine was exploded July 30, but Petersburg was not captured then. The mine consisted of a shaft 520 feet long, with branches forty feet in each direction, and was charged with 8,000 pounds of powder. Its explosion made a crater in the Confederate works 200 feet long by 60 feet wide and killed a great many men. The Federal attack that followed the explosion failed, and Petersburg was not evacuated until April 2, 1865.

What is the difference between an ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary and an envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary? What is the difference between an embassy and a legation? Diplomatic agents are in three classes—first, ambassadors, legates and nuncios; second, envoys and ministers; third, charges d'affaires. An ambassador is the highest diplomatic official sent from one country to another, and a minister is an agent of the next lower rank. The ambassador represents not only the state from which he is sent, but the person of his sovereign and is entitled to ask an audience at any time, to rank next the blood royal and to be held exempt, with his household, from local jurisdiction. "Envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary" is the full title of the diplomatic agent of the second class, who represents only the state and not the person of its ruler. Charges d'affaires are lesser representatives and must deal with the minister of foreign affairs of the country to which they are sent. Embassy and legation are generally synonymous terms.

Please state if the United States officials have charge of the customs receipts of the republic of Santo Domingo, and, if so, what were the reasons for their taking charge, and was it done with the consent of the government of Santo Domingo?

The United States has been collecting the customs receipts in Santo Domingo for some time in order to satisfy creditors, the existing government having not been able to meet its obligations. They had five presidents in two years, and the treasury was looted to the extent that there was no money to pay debts.

How serious is Kaiser Wilhelm's deformity? Which arm is affected? Can he, for instance, use a knife and fork?

The Kaiser's left arm is considerably shorter than the right arm. The actual facts regarding the deformity are not known. Poulton Bigelow, who was the Kaiser's playmate as a child, writes: "As to the emperor's imperfect arm, it is extraordinary that the life that has largely left it should appear when it has been utilized in the strengthening of his right arm. As a fencer, it was to be expected that he should develop the proficiency that characterized him at Bonn, but it was little thought that he would have the patience and energy requisite to becoming an expert shot, a good swimmer and a capital oar. In the saddle he manages to hold his reins with his afflicted arm. In order to have his sword arm free, and I have many times seen him ride across country talking obstacles which some of his officers refused."

Can you tell me when and by whom was said, "First in peace, first in war and first in the hearts of his countrymen"? I know it was said of George Washington, but when and where? The quotation was part of resolutions prepared by Richard Henry Lee and was included in a tribute to Washington by John Marshall before Congress on hearing the news of Washington's death.

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Flounders . . . lb	Halibut . . . . lb	20c	
Large Fresh	Smoked		10c
Mackerel . . . lb	Haddies . . . . lb	10c	
Fresh Cape	Steaming		8c
Butterfish . . lb	Clams . . . . . qt.	8c	
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Each	Large Rolls	lb	Basket
4c	4c	36c	19c

## UNKNOWN SHIP GOES ASHORE IN GALE, ALL SAVED

Swampscott, Mass., May 17—An unidentified three-masted schooner was driven ashore at King's Beach on the Swampscott shore, during a gale today. The coastguard crew went to her assistance immediately.

**FLOODS IN ROCHESTER.** Rochester, N. Y., May 17—Thousands of dollars damage has been done in Rochester and vicinity by heavy rains and cloudbursts of the past 48 hours. Street cave-ins occurred in various parts of the city, hundreds of cellars are flooded, trains on branches of the New York Central and Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh are still held up by washouts and service on both urban and inter-urban lines is more or less disrupted.

**HEAVY DAMAGE IS WROUGHT.** Buffalo, May 17—The flood waters that devastated many towns and inundated farms in western New York were reported as rapidly receding today and the danger was considered passed. The flood, caused by a series of cloudbursts during a period of 20 hours of steady rain, did much damage in Allegheny and Wyoming counties. In Cuba, the property loss was estimated at over \$200,000 and at Warsaw damage estimated at \$100,000 was inflicted. The total property loss was close to a half million dollars.

## EX-INMATE OF ARCHER HOME IS CRITICALLY ILL

Essex, Conn., May 7—Mrs. Emily R. Gladding, brought from the Archer Home for Aged People at Windsor, Sunday, has been sinking steadily since her arrival here and is now in critical condition.

General Marchand of the French army, African war hero, has been killed at the front.

## MINSTREL STARS WILL SING AT EAGLES' HALL

Some of the sweetest singers among the younger persons of Bridgeport are engaged to appear in the Irish Minstrels at Eagles' Hall the last three days of this week, and the entertainment promises to be one of the more notable of the many which have been given during the season just closing. It will be a real Irish minstrel and all of the songs will have the tang of the brogue or the sentiment of the Emerald Isle in their words. Besides the singers there will be a number of specialties, and real Irish music upon real Irish bagpipes. The end men will be Toomey and Lynch and Misses Simpson and Lennon, the latter appearing in a side-splitting specialty. Among the soloists are the Misses Lombard and McNamara, George Rastotte, John Martin, Julia Sullivan, Robert Stafford, Jack Hughes, Miss Lydia Walsh and Mary Mahoney. There will be a chorus of about 40 voices. Dunn Brothers will appear in specialties, David Sullivan in an Irish reel, and there will be other good specialties. Following the entertainment there will be dancing with good music. Only a moderate admission fee is charged and a good time is assured.

## PERSONAL MENTION

Former State Senator Archibald A. McNeil, Sr., is recovering from the effects of an operation.

Miss Kathleen Kenney, 492 Atlantic street, has returned from a very pleasant visit with friends in Waterbury and Naugatuck, Conn.

Foot Russell, the former Bridgeport third baseman, is in this city again, after undergoing an operation in Washington, D. C. He will play with Clyde Waters' semi-pro team in New Haven.

Mother's Day is most commonly celebrated by Mother making extra preparations for a big Sunday dinner.

In accordance with the request of the Audubon Society, many boys are putting up bird houses for our feathered friends, where the youngsters can go later and get some eggs.

## PUPILS OF SHELTON SCHOOL WILL REPEAT TRIP TO WEST POINT

Almost unanimously the members of the eighth grades in Shelton school on Wheeler avenue, have voted that the educational trip to West Point, last year about 75 pupils and teachers made this trip and had such a delightful time that this year's class decided to repeat it.

The party will leave on special car attached to an early train Saturday, June 3, for New York; will cross at 12:55 street, having time to visit Grant's tomb and at 1:30th street take the Hudson river boat, Robert Fulton. The trip up the river, unrivaled in America through its lower course, is something to be long remembered. Points of historic and legendary interest breathe both banks and will make the trip of great value to the boys and girls. A basket lunch will be enjoyed during the trip.

Arriving at the reservation at 11:30, visits will be made to the electric power plant, the riding academy, library, officers' quarters, gymnasium, chapel and other buildings. Principal E. E. Cortright, who was in charge of the schools at Cornwall immediately above West Point for some years, knows the grounds intimately and will be able to make the visit of unusual interest. At 1:40 the entire cadet corps march out in their spotless uniforms for inspection, accompanied by the full army band. Last year's party were spell-bound by this sight.

Returning by the 3 o'clock boat, special lunch will be served in the dining room by the steward. The party will cross at 12:55th street and catch the 6:11 train, arriving in Bridgeport at 7:35. Mrs. Sullivan, Miss Katherine Wagtine, Miss Grace Hestick and Miss Edith Hayden, the eighth grade teachers, will care for the girls, while Principal E. E. Cortright will be as-

## MICHIGAN DEMOCRATS SOLIDLY FOR WILSON

Lansing, Mich., May 17—Democrats of Michigan, solidly supporting the nomination of President Wilson, met in state convention here today. Each of the 13 state districts will elect two delegates and two alternates also will be named. Congressman Frank Doremus, of Detroit, will be the temporary chairman of the convention.

## CONNECTICUT CO TO RE-ROUTE DERBY CARS VIA GOLDEN HILL ST.

Announcement was made today by the Connecticut Co. that in keeping with a request made by the common council in a resolution adopted April 24, the company will re-route its Derby cars.

The resolution was adopted as follows: "Resolved, That the Connecticut Co. be, and hereby is, requested to re-route Derby cars to run around the Golden Hill street loop instead of Broad street loop, in order to relieve the congested traffic in Broad street caused by the storing of cars in Broad street."

The company made this announcement today. According to the above request the Connecticut Co. beg to announce that effective Saturday, May 20th, the Derby cars will enter the city via Fairfield avenue, go north on Main street, east on Golden Hill street, and easterly on Water street, instead of around the Broad street loop, as at present.

## Ansonia Young Man Will Be Ordained May 25 In Baltimore

(Special to The Farmer.)

Ansonia, May 17—Invitations will be issued in a few days announcing that Rev. James McCormick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luke McCormick, of Ansonia, will be ordained to the priesthood by Cardinal James Gibbons at the Baltimore Cathedral, Thursday, May 25. Father McCormick will sing his first solemn high mass at the Church of the Assumption Sunday, May 28, at 10:30 o'clock.

A native of Ansonia, Father McCormick made his elementary course in the parochial school and received his classical education in the Ansonia High school. Graduating from that institution with distinguished honors he entered St. Thomas' Seminary, Hartford, in the fall of 1908 and after spending two years at that seat of learning he was adopted by Bishop John J. Nilan for the Hartford diocese. He pursued philosophical and theological studies at St. Mary's seminary, Baltimore, Md., the oldest seminary in the United States. It was at that institution that the young clergyman received one of the highest marks in theology ever earned by a student.

## POLICE WARN AGAINST FRAUDS AS SALESMEN

Warning is issued by the police against persons in this city representing themselves as salesmen for the Globe Hosiery Works of New York city. A letter received from that firm, located at 2 West 42nd street, informs the police that complaints have been received that persons here engaged in taking orders for stockings and other articles have defrauded their customers and have no connection with the company.



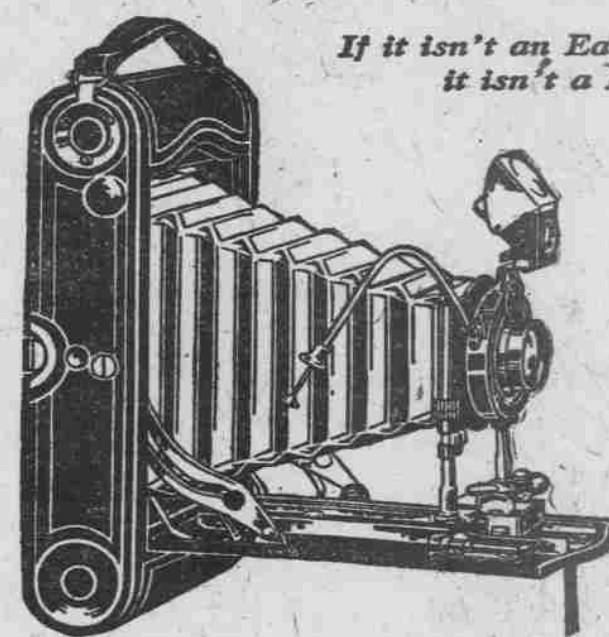
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